IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application of Atty Dkt. 3673-4 C# M# FERREIRA et al Broup Art Unit: 2874 AUG 2 7 2003 Examiner: H. Sanghavi Serial No. 09/629,830 Date: August 27, 2003 July 31, 2000 Filed: DETECTION OF MICROORGANISMS BY Title: METHOD AND DEVICE F FIBER OPTICS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. F es are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment minus highest number 27 \$ 126.00 previously paid for \$ 18.00 20 (at least 20) =X Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for (at least 3) = \$ 84.00 \$ 0.00 6 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this \$ paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$410.00/2 months; \$930.00/3 months) 930.00 \$ Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 0.00 \$ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$750.00) 0.00 ☐ Please enter the previously unentered . filed ☐ Submission attached Subtotal \$ 1056.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 528.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith \$ 0.00 Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) \$ 0.00 Other: 0.00 TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED 528.00 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 27, 2003, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.

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